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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 2, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-7, with traverse. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement as a search directed to the elected invention, a vehicle door, would necessarily entail a search directed to a method of manufacturing the door. Favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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